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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 0301

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS PEPR LA US

SUBJECT: REPORTED PRESENCE OF AN AMERICAN CITIZEN WITH ANTI-LPDR  
FORCES IN LAOS

1. THE MARCH 10 ISSUE OF ASIAWEEK, A REGIONAL NEWS  
MAGAZINE, CONTAINED A COVER STORY ON THE "REBELLION IN  
LAOS." THE MAGAZINE PRINTED SEVERAL ARTICLES DEALING  
WITH THE INSURGENCY IN LAOS, ONE OF WHICH WAS A NARRA-  
TIVE SUPPOSEDLY WRITTEN BY "AN AMERICAN ADVENTURER" WHO  
JOINED A GROUP OF LAO INSURGENTS AND SPENT TWO WEEKS  
WITH THE UNIT IN LAOS.

2. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE LPDR MIGHT SEIZE ON THIS  
REPORT AS EVIDENCE OF U.S. INVOLVEMENT WITH THE ANTI-  
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COMMUNIST INSURGENCY IN LAOS. THE LAO GOVERNMENT HAS  
LONG ALLEGED SUCH INVOLVEMENT.

3. THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION  
ADDRESSEE POSTS MIGHT HAVE REGARDING THE REPORTED  
PRESENCE OF AN AMERICAN WITH LAO RESISTANCE FORCES.  
ROBERTS UNQUOTE VANCE

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